

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE NEW YORK ENTOMOLOGICAL SOCIETY.

MEETING OF TUESDAY, MAY 18, 1909.

Held at the American Museum of Natural History, President C. W. Leng in the chair, with eighteen members and two visitors present.

The librarian, Mr. Schaeffer, announced the receipt of the following exchanges:

Science Bulletin, I, No. 15, Mus. Brooklyn Inst.

Canadian Entomol., XLI, No. 5.

Berlin Entomol. Zeitschrift, Vol. 53, Nos. 3 and 4.

Mr. Davis, of the Field Committee, reported on the arrangements for the outing at Lakehurst, N. J., on the Fourth of July. Tents and cooking utensils had been secured through the kindness of Mr. Sleight, and arrangements had been made with a neighboring family to do most of the cooking. Although the outing was planned for three days, those who wished might make arrangements to stay longer.

Mr. Dow, of the Field Committee, announced the partial arrangement for a Decoration Day trip to Greenwood Lake. Notice would be sent to members by postal card.

On motion of the secretary the meetings of June were dispensed with.

Mr. Schaeffer exhibited some new and interesting species of Buprestidæ mostly from Brownsville, Texas, and from Arizona, and spoke concerning some of the important characters and habits of the forms.

Mr. Davis exhibited a turtle showing several large swellings on the neck in which were the developing larvæ of bot-flies.

Mr. Barber stated that he had bred some of these flies from a turtle similarly affected at Cold Spring Harbor, L. I., in 1902.

Mr. John Angell exhibited a specimen of *Calosoma calidum* which had a bright green bordering stripe on the margin of the elytra.

Prof. J. B. Smith spoke of the early appearance of the elm-leaf beetles in such numbers, in certain places, as to indicate a repetition of their destructiveness of last season. These early beetles were just out of hibernation, and on a small elm near the New Jersey Experiment Station he had estimated there were eight thousand specimens.

Mr. Engelhardt spoke of collecting a quantity of *Callidium janthinum* in the window of a store on Fulton Street where rustic wood furniture was for sale.

Mr. Roberts exhibited his collection of Dytiscidæ, explained the structural characters used in differentiating the species, and mentioned the synonymy of certain forms.

Mr. Comstock spoke on the systematic work he had been carrying on at

Jamesburg in breeding *Lycenidae* and in making observations and notes concerning the different stages of the local species.

Mr. Pollard gave an account of his recent trip to Washington, where he spent some hours collecting on Plummer's Island in company with a number of Washington entomologists. He mentioned the butterflies found on the island.

Dr. Zabriskie remarked that at Moriches, L. I., the flooring and wood work in a house belonging to Mr. Robert Lefferts had been badly damaged by beetles which he thought were *Hylotrupes bajulus*. Some of these were exhibited.

Mr. Dow stated that while collecting along Rockaway Beach the previous Sunday he had picked up one hundred and ten different kinds of beetles.

Mr. Lutz exhibited a beautiful Hydrachnid which he intended to send to Prof. Wolcott, of the University of Nebraska, for identification.

Mr. Schaeffer auctioneered the specimens of Lepidoptera donated by Mrs. A. T. Slosson several years ago.

Mr. Davis read a letter from Mrs. Slosson, and on motion Mr. Davis was requested to convey to her the good wishes of the society.

Mr. Dow, on motion, was also requested to give Mr. Joutel the best wishes of the society with sincere regrets that he could not be present.

#### MEETING OF TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1909.

Held at the American Museum of Natural History, President C. W. Leng in the chair, with twenty-three members and four visitors present.

The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved.

The treasurer, Mr. Davis, reported the society's balance as \$1,122.60 and that of the Journal as \$122.08.

The librarian reported the receipt of the following exchanges since the May 18 meeting:

Deutsche Entomologische Zeitschrift.

Revue d'Entomologie, Vol. VII, No. 4; Vol. VIII, Nos. 1, 2.

Horæ Societatis Entomologicæ Rossicæ, Vol. XXXVIII, No. 4.

Bull. de la Société Imperiale de Moscou, 1907. No. 4.

Boletin de Museu Goeldi, Vol. V, No. 2.

Wiener Entomol. Zeitung, Vol. XVII, Nos. 3, 4, 5, 6.

Zeitschrift f. Wissenschaftliche Insektenbiologie, Vol. V, Nos. 4, 8.

Canad. Entomologist, Vol. XLI, Nos. 6, 7, 8, 9.

Tidjschrift voor Entomologie, 1909, Nos. 1, 2.

Mittheilungen d. schweizerischen Entom. Gesellschaft, Vol. X, No. 9.

Montana Agricultural College Exp. Stat., Bull. No. 75.

Montana Agricultural College Exp. Stat., 15th Ann. Report, 1908.

Ants of Formosa and the Philippines, by W. M. Wheeler.

The Thorax of Insects and the Articulation of the Wings, by R. E. Snodgrass.

Dragon-flies of the Mississippi Valley, by Chas. B. Wilson.

Descriptions of Some Bees in the U. S. Nat. Mus., by T. D. A. Cockerell.